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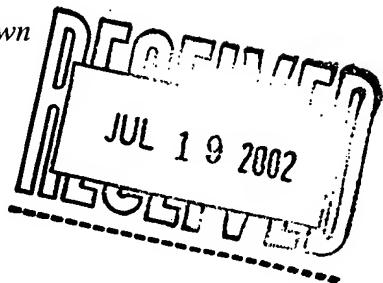
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR )  
IMPLEMENTING A METRICS ENGINE FOR )  
TRACKING RELATIONSHIPS OVER TIME )



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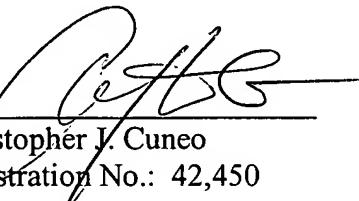
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